IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HIROYUKI MATSUURA

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For: LOW PRESSURE PROCESSING SYSTEM,

LOW PRESSURE PROCESSING METHOD,

AND PRESSURE CONTROL VALVE

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 8, 2009, to which the time for response is set to expire April 8, 2009. The pending claims, claims 1-11, were rejected. Reconsideration and entry of the following amendments are respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Drawing begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.